

# BALLOON WITH SIX MEN LOST

## JOHN H. STARIN DEAD AT 83.

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### "America" Missing, Two Days After California Ascent, Supposed a Wreck—Search Made for Men Who Started with Little Food or Clothing.

LOS ANGELES, March 22.—No word has come from the six men in the balloon "America." It is feared they have been lost in the mountains in the midst of a blizzard now raging there.

Up to noon today no word had come from the big balloon which ascended from Tournament Park in Pasadena at 10 o'clock Saturday afternoon with Capt. N. E. Muller and five other men in the basket.

There is a strong probability that the men have perished in the mountains.

The last trace of the balloon was when it disappeared through the clouds in Grand Canyon on slope of Mount Lowe, the big bag containing 15,000 cubic feet of gas being driven from by a strong north wind toward the peaks of the range.

One of the worst storms in years is raging in the mountains. Four feet of snow has fallen on Mount Wilson and nearly two feet at Mount Lowe. All day yesterday a blizzard raged, the wind attaining a high velocity. The whole side of the mountain is covered with many feet of snow, the canyons are filled and the trails are obliterated. It would be impossible for the men to make their way any distance in the present snow storm. They have with them only a meagre supply of provisions and but little warm clothing.

Searching parties were organized early today from Pasadena and will go into the mountains at once.

Owing to the heavy load which the "America" carried it is not thought possible that the balloon succeeded in clearing the three ranges of mountains and gaining the Mojave Desert to the northward. It is more than likely that Muller led to bring the bag to earth somewhere in the mountains early Sunday.

John H. Starin, the pilot, a party in the balloon includes Lane C. C. Kim, a prominent mining man, formerly of Walla Walla, Wash., now of Pasadena; Sydney Gray, Pasadena; Harold Parker, Pasadena; F. C. Dodge, Pasadena, and another man.

Capt. Muller is the only experienced aeronaut in the party. In July last he participated in the international race from Chicago, when he descended into Lake Michigan and was dragged for miles across the lake, narrowly escaping with his life.

Later, in October, he made an ascent from Columbus, O., and landed in Niagara Canyon, where he was dragged over a rough country, sustaining broken ribs and other injuries.

## CAR RAMS TRUCK; HARLEM THEATRE CROWDS IN PERIL

### Fire Engines Mix Into Tangle That Ties Up Traffic for Half Hour.

A westbound Third avenue car, in charge of Motorman Bernard O'Neill and Conductor Frederick Byrnes, ran into a big truck loaded with plumbars at One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street and Seventh avenue this afternoon, causing a wreck that totally blocked traffic for half an hour.

While the crowd was thickest and the police reserves from the West One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street station were approaching on the double quick several fire engines, hose trucks and fire patrol cars happened along, bound for a fire in One Hundred and Thirty-third street. There were many narrow escapes from injury and possible death.

## WOMAN'S ARMS TORN BY DOG IN DEFENDING HAT

### Feathers on Mrs. Hague's Headgear Roused Wrath of Canine in Street.

That feathers in millinery creations are a real menace to a woman's safety was proved today in the case of Mrs. Sarah Hague, of No. 35 Sands street, Brooklyn, who is now a patient at St. Gregory's Hospital, No. 14 Gold street, Manhattan, with both her arms torn and lacerated by the teeth of a bulldog.

Mrs. Hague's condition is serious, and after a conference Drs. J. Edward Downey, A. L. Buschman and W. A. Wietrich have decided she should go to the Pasteur Institute for treatment. The dog was shot by Policeman Lynch, of the Oak street station, under an exciting three-block chase after the Brooklyn Bridge.

The victim of the dog's rage is a middle-aged woman, who was in the Cherry Hill district on an errand of mercy. She wore a large collection of partridge feathers in her hat, still further set off by an albatross.

When Mrs. Hague was passing No. 147 Cherry street, the dog, which had been taking an early morning sun bath, roused himself and caught a sight of the feathers. Instantly the dog became violently enraged. Before Mrs. Hague could reach a place of safety the animal began to leap savagely at her hat.

In trying to ward off with her arms the dog's attack on her millinery, Mrs. Hague was badly bitten. The flesh was torn on both arms as high as her shoulders. Her cries brought several men, who beat off the dog with sticks.

Then began the chase after the dog through a crowded district. Women and children got out of the streets until the policeman's revolver ended the dog's life.

Under the hoofs and wheels of the fire horses and vehicles.

The truck is owned by F. N. Du Bois, a plumber, of No. 23 Ninth avenue. It was drawn by two fine big horses, driven by Harry Shaughnessy, of No. 413 West Thirty-seventh street.

The shock of the collision threw Shaughnessy from his seat and sprained both his wrists. O'Neill was slightly injured and the front of his car was demolished. The right fore leg of one of the horses was broken. A policeman spoke of killing the animal, but Shaughnessy, despite the pain from his injuries, refused to hear of the destruction of the animal. He protested to such good effect that an agent for the S. P. C. A. summoned a horse ambulance and the injured steed was taken to a hospital.

Crowds bound for the matinees in the Harlem theatre soon blocked One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street from curb to curb. All cross-town street car traffic was laid up for the entire length of the street.

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## ROOSEVELT VISITS A TENEMENT TO KISS OLD NURSE

### Auto Dashes Up to Tenement for Fond Farewell to Mary Ledwith.

### BUSY LAST DAY HERE.

### Finishes Many Preparations and Inspects Liner on Which He Sails To-Morrow.

Citizen Theodore Roosevelt came to town today to say a few farewells, write a few editorials, inspect the steamship Hamburg, on which he will sail to-morrow, answer a few hundred letters, dictate a few score letters, shake a few hundred hands, smile a few hundred smiles, refuse a few thousand offers of rifles, ammunition, revolvers, cannon and the like, eat a few bites of lunch, and journey a few leagues in Douglas Robinson's automobile.

Accompanied by two of his children, Ethel and Kermit, the ex-President arrived at the foot of East Thirty-fourth street at 2:13 from Oyster Bay. Crossing the river, he nodded a few hundred nods to fellow passengers who recognized him. Debartering, he swept Ethel and Kermit along with him to the waiting automobile of Douglas Robinson, Mrs. Robinson, Mr. Roosevelt's sister, was in the car with her husband.

### Paid Visit in Tenement.

The moment Citizen Roosevelt had climbed in and closed the door the big limousine shot away up Thirty-fourth street to Second avenue, whisked around the corner, glided to Thirty-second street, switched round another corner and drew up in front of No. 34 East Thirty-second street, an old brick dwelling, cut up into tiny two-room flats.

The machine had hardly come to a full stop when Mr. Roosevelt flung out, dashed across the pavement, bounded up the steps, negotiated one rickety flight of stairs in about three jumps, and burst into the little rear apartment of Mrs. Mary Ledwith, who was nurse for all the Roosevelt children from the day they were born.

The gray-haired, sweet-faced little woman was speechless with delight as Mr. Roosevelt embraced her and kissed her on the cheek.

"Couldn't think of going to Africa without saying good-bye to you, Mary," said Mr. Roosevelt, patting her cheek and giving her another hug.

"And don't let any of them wild beasts get you, Mr. Roosevelt," said the old nurse, as he departed, kissing her again.

"Oh, I'll attend to them, all right," laughed the famous hunter, whereupon he shook hands again with the Dalys, waved his hand over his head and went down the stairway as if he were on greased skids. All the tenants in the building were looking on and lifted their voices in a cheer as Mr. Roosevelt proceeded to his automobile with caputic velocity.

### Inspected His Ship.

At the offices of the Outlook Mr. Roosevelt met Dr. Lyman Abbott and his other sanctum associates, former Secretary of the Interior James R. Garfield, Robert J. Collier and the Collier editors, Dr. Albert Shaw, editor of "The Review of Reviews," and several other distinguished editors.

Then Mr. Roosevelt journeyed to Hoboken to inspect the Hamburg and his hunting gear. He was accompanied by Kermit and his young nephew, Douglas Robinson Jr. The trip to Hoboken was made via the Christopher street ferry and the visit to the steamship was short.

The ex-President inspected all his gear, looked into his staterooms, met Capt. Burneside and all the officers, shook their hands, and murmured "Bully" time and again, and finally motored away from the pier amid the cheers of a plentiful of people.

### LIPTON ON YACHT CRUISE.

LONDON, March 22.—Sir Thomas Lipton is at present yachting in Grecian waters. His secretary said today that there was no development in the matter of a possible challenge for the American Cup.

## WOMEN IN MOB URGE ATTACK ON STRIKE BREAKERS

### Wives and Sisters of Hatter Lead Demonstration at Orange Station.

### FOUR MEN ARRESTED.

### One Charged With Throwing Stones and Others With Trying to Rescue Him.

Led by women, several hundred striking hatters made threatening demonstrations today at Orange against a group of the men who have taken their places. Thanks to a heavy police guard there was no real trouble.

For several weeks about 3,000 of the employees of the various hat factories of Orange have been on strike for better wages. Saturday their union failed to pay any strike benefits, the strike fund having been exhausted, and as a result the men became desperate.

This morning five strike breakers, coming from New York, got off a Lackawanna train at the Highland avenue station. Thirty policemen and six detectives under Roundsman Brown were waiting to escort the party to the factory of Berg & Co.

The old hands, who had gathered in crowds around the depot, watched the newcomers in silence, and there would probably have been no outbreak had it not been for the wives and daughters who, screaming and weeping, ran back and forth, calling on the men to wipe out those who were helping to take the bread out of their mouths.

Thus incited the men began to close in on the police squad who surrounded the five scared New York men. One man, S. Geravio, of No. 90 Forest street, threw a stone at the procession, but before he could repeat the act Detective Graham had grabbed him. Geravio's brother and another man ran forward to release him and they were overpowered and taken along too.

The police, without stopping their march, made a fourth arrest of a man who was brandishing a club and after that the men in the crowd fell back. The women, however, followed the police to the doors, making threats and shaking their fists at the strike breakers.

The three prisoners were arraigned before Magistrate Bray and held for examination.

## BIG MAURETANIA SMASHES RECORDS TO EUROPE AGAIN

### Eastern Trip in Four Days, 18 Hours and 35 Minutes; Day's Run 609.

According to unofficial despatches received today at the Cunard offices, the great flyer Mauretania has been at her favorite tricks—smashing the transatlantic speed records she has made and held.

Capt. Pritchard flashed a message, saying he passed Dunstons Rock off Queenstown, at 11:23 o'clock this morning. He passed the Ambrose Channel lightship, going out, at 11:48 o'clock on the morning of March 17. Therefore the big turbine, it appears, made the passage in four days, eighteen hours and thirty-five minutes, actual running time, an average speed of 35.4 miles an hour, which means that the Mauretania has beaten all marks, not only for the voyage, but for average speed.

Until today the best previous time eastward had been made by her on the last trip, which she covered in four days, twenty hours and two minutes, with an average gait of 35.2 miles an hour.

Capt. Pritchard's message also stated that on Thursday his ship did 609 miles, likewise a better showing than had yet been made on the eastward run.

### Fine New Turkish Baths

now open in the new Putnam Building. Only first-class downtown establishment. Modern Turkish detail. Electric and Turkish baths at all hours. Manicurist and chiropodist. Barber shop, open day and night.

## Fugitive Samuel C. Levinson Identified as Whitla Kianapper



## NEW CLUE TO KIDNAPPERS, HOPE SOON TO GET BOY

### Whitla Gets Fourth Letter and Bargains With Abductors While Police Start Hunt for Suspect in Illinois.

CHICAGO, March 22.—Information declared to implicate a Chicago man in the kidnapping of Willie Whitla has been received by State's Attorney Wayman, and today detectives were placed on the trail of the alleged guilty man. A photograph of the suspect has been mailed to Sharon. The man for whom the State's Attorney is looking is said to have relatives in Sharon and in Youngstown.

SHARON, March 22.—The Whitla family have assurances that the kidnapped boy, Willie Whitla, will be returned within forty-eight hours. It was said today another letter had been received directing in what manner the \$10,000 ransom shall be paid. All details of the negotiations are being carefully guarded, however.

Conferences were held today by members of the Whitla family with different detectives, and the activity displayed by all concerned indicated that important developments were near.

It is admitted that the abductors have taken preliminary steps to give the boy back for the ransom of \$10,000. The affair at Ashabula, O., early yesterday morning, when Mr. Whitla placed \$10,000 under a stone as directed by the senders of a letter, but without recovering his boy, is believed to have been a plan of the kidnappers to discover whether Whitla is sincere in his intention to pay the money. It is the general opinion now that the abductors had no thought of surrendering the lad at Ashabula, but were endeavoring to satisfy themselves that the father would secretly pay the money for the return of his son.

The action of the stolen boy's father in secretly depositing the ransom at Ashabula is an evidence that all he wants is the child and that the abductors need not fear prosecution from him.

### Trailing Ashabula Suspect.

Word was received here today that F. A. Whitaker, living in Ashabula, had informed the police of that city that he overheard a stranger telephone to the Smith House Saturday night about 9 P. M. from the store of his brother, and was between thirty-five and forty years old. He wore a dark gray suit and black derby hat. The store from which the message was tele-

phoned is near Flatiron Park, where the \$10,000 was deposited.

Detective Ward, of Philadelphia, was one of those who conferred with Mr. Whitla today. Detective Perkins, of Pittsburgh, has a large force of operatives scattered throughout the suburbs.

F. H. Buhl, millionaire uncle of the boy, and several detectives attended the conference today in Mr. Whitla's office. Mr. Buhl left the office several times, and a half dozen telegrams were sent.

Detective Perkins, of Pittsburgh, in a statement at noon said: "Developments have been thick and fast to-day. A fourth letter has been received from the abductors. I cannot give you the contents of the letter at this time, but will say that, give us a little time and we will walk the kidnappers into Mr. Whitla's office."

It is believed here that the missing boy will be safe in his parents' home by tonight.

## WOMAN MUST DIE IN ELECTRIC CHAIR HUGHES DECREES

### Governor Refuses to Extend Clemency to Mrs. Mary Farmer, Who Was Convicted of Murdering Sarah Brennan to Get Her Property.

## SECOND WOMAN IN STATE TO RECEIVE THIS SENTENCE.

### State Executive Declares that the Law Makes No Distinction Between the Sexes and Declares It Should Be Impartially Enforced.

ALBANY, March 22.—Gov. Hughes announced to-day that he had denied executive clemency in the case of Mrs. Mary Farmer, who is under sentence of death at Auburn Prison for the murder of Mrs. Sarah Brennan, at Brownsville, near Watertown. Mrs. Farmer will be electrocuted some time next week, very probably early Monday morning, the Court of Appeals in denying her plea for a new trial fixing the week beginning March 29 for her execution.

## JOHN H. STARIN, "FATHER OF RAPID TRANSIT," DEAD

### At 83 He Directed Great Harbor Transportation Business in World.

John Henry Starin, the "Father of Rapid Transit in New York," and the head of the Starin Transportation lines, died to-day at his home, aged eighty-three years. Until lately he had been in direct charge of the diversified business activities in which he was interested. He left an estate far into the millions.

Some estimates have made him one of the wealthiest men in this State.

Last fall, while his employees celebrated his eighty-third birthday, the "High Admiral of New York Bay," as his friends loved to call him, was sitting soberly at his desk in the offices of the Starin City, River & Harbor Transportation Company giving the orders that operated his ship yards, his dry docks, his Staten Island iron works, his fleets of tugs, steamers, towboats, barges and lighters, and all the other ends of the business that, considered together, make it the largest single marine transportation company in any harbor in the world.

John H. Starin was born of old Dutch Revolutionary stock at Sauntonville, N. Y., in 1825. His parents were notably poor even in a poverty stricken community. The boy, "John Hank," as he was afterward to be known all through the Mohawk Valley, got a district school education, eked out by one term at the Academy of Esperance. He began life a lanky, homely, shrew-faced youth, as a clerk in his brother's drug store in the town of Fultonville. His inventive mind led him into manufacturing remedies of his own, and soon he was riding from county to county horseback, peddling horse liniment and household remedies made according to his private recipes.

### Astonished the Vanderbilts.

Soon after his marriage, in 1846, he moved to New York City. He signalled his entry into city life by working Thursday and has not been seen since.

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Mrs. Farmer will be the second woman in this State to die in the electric chair. Mrs. Martha Place, who killed her daughter in Brooklyn, was the first, she having been put to death March 20, 1890, in Sing Sing prison. Ex-



ceptional efforts were made to save Mrs. Place from the chair, but Theodore Roosevelt, then Governor, refused to interfere.

### Gov. Hughes Explains.

Gov. Hughes in denying the application for executive clemency which was made by E. E. Wilcox, Mrs. Farmer's counsel, on the ground that the woman was insane when she committed the crime, issued a long statement, in which he gives his reasons for so doing.

"In this case, or in other capital cases," says Gov. Hughes, "there are those who ask for executive interference because they are opposed to capital punishment. But the law of the State is that 'murder in the first degree is punishable by death.'"

"However important to the interests of justice may be the exercise of the pardoning power in exceptional cases, the Executive has no right to use this power for the purpose of effecting a practical repeal of the law. It is his duty to see, within the sphere of his executive action, that the law of the State as to murder, as well as other laws, is faithfully executed."

### Sex Cannot Save Her.

"As the prisoner is a woman, there are those who urge that capital pun-

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